

Abstract of Meteorological Reports received from Head Quarters of Districts in the Province of Mysore from 16th to 30th November 1875.

DISTRICT.	Thermometer. <i>Averages for the half month.</i>						Thermometer.		Rain.		Wind.
	9-30 A. M.			3-30 P. M.			Maximum.	Minimum.	Inches.	Cents.	
	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Differ- ence.	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Differ- ence.					
Kolar†	82	70	...	5	N. E.
Tumkur†	...	73	...	...	76	...	79	63	...	...	N. E.
Mysore	74	64	10	83	66	17	85	60	...	...
Hassan	74	63	11	80	64	16	...	55	...	...
Shimoga†	...	76	...	...	80	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chikmagalur*
Chitaldroog†	...	78	...	...	83	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Information not received.

† Information received incomplete.

ANCHE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 449.

The 6th December 1875.

The following Notification of the Government of India relating to Parcels posted in India for transmission to the United Kingdom by the Overland Parcel Post, received from the Postmaster General, Bombay, is published for general information.

M. AMURTALINGAM,
Anche Bakshi.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

SEPARATE REVENUE.—POST OFFICE.

Fort William, the 12th November 1875.

No. 2377.—Notice is hereby given that parcels posted in India, for transmission to the United Kingdom by the Overland Parcel Post, must not exceed £50 in value. Any parcel which on examination of the declaration at Bombay may be found to exceed this value will, instead of being forwarded by the Overland Parcel Post, be transferred to the Bombay Agency of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company for transmission independently of the Post Office, and subject to such regulations and charges on delivery as may be applicable thereto under the Company's regulations.

(NOTE.—The Company's present charge is an *ad valorem* rate of 2 per cent, which does not include Marine or other Insurance.)

The following detailed rules respecting the exchange of parcels with the United Kingdom and the foreign countries mentioned are to be substituted for the regulations given at pages 53 to 55 of the Indian Postal Guide for 1875 :—

Overland Parcel Post.

(1).—Parcels are received at any Post Office in India under the conditions and rates of charge mentioned below for transmission to the following countries, *viz*:—

Country.	Rate of charge per lb. or fraction thereof. Prepayment compulsory.	Remarks respecting special conditions, &c., applicable to particular Countries.
United Kingdom ...	<i>Anas.</i> 8	The prepayment carries the parcel as far as London, any additional charge which may become due on account of British custom duty or carriage beyond London being realized from the addressee. The attention of the public is invited to the fact that the British Post Office has no connection with the Overland Parcel Post; all arrangements out of India are made by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, and enquiries proceeding from the United Kingdom should be addressed to that Company's Office, 122, Leadenhall Street, London, E. C. The British Post Office, however, has consented to exhibit in every Post Office of the United Kingdom a notice containing information on the subject of the Indian Parcel Post. Parcels must not exceed £50 in value. Any parcel which on examination of the declaration at Bombay is found to exceed this value will, instead of being forwarded by the Overland Parcel Post, be transferred to the Bombay Agency of the P. & O. S. N. Company for transmission independently of the Post Office, and subject to such regulations and charges on delivery as may be applicable thereto under the Company's regulations. (NOTE.—The Company's present charge is an <i>ad valorem</i> rate of 2 per cent, which does not include Marine or other Insurance.)
Germany ...	8	The prepayment carries the parcel to destination. Should any custom duty become due, the amount will be charged on delivery. See also Rule 9 respecting compensation for damage or loss.
Denmark ...	8	The prepayment carries the parcel to the limit of German conveyance, a separate charge being made on delivery for conveyance beyond the German frontier, as well as for custom duty, should any become due. See also Rule 9 respecting compensation for damage or loss.
Sweden ...	8	The prepayment carries the parcel to the limit of German conveyance, a separate charge being made on delivery for conveyance beyond the German frontier, as well as for custom duty, should any become due. <i>From Rule 3 it will be seen that there must be also a second or duplicate declaration of contents and value. See also Rule 9 respecting compensation for damage or loss.</i>
Norway ...		
Switzerland ...		
France ...	8	The prepayment carries the parcel to the limit of German conveyance, a separate charge being made on delivery for conveyance beyond the German frontier, as well as for custom duty, should any become due. <i>From Rule 3 it will be seen that there must be also a second or duplicate declaration of contents and value, and that the second or duplicate declaration should contain a statement of the weight (lbs. and oss. or tolas) of the contents and should, if possible, be written in the French language. See also Rule 9 respecting compensation for damage or loss.</i>
The Netherlands (Holland) ...		
Belgium ...		

(2).—Every parcel should be securely packed in a closed cover or case, and should bear the name and address of the person in the United Kingdom or foreign country for whom it is intended.

N. B.—The public are specially warned against the use of flimsy covers for articles transmitted by the Parcel Post. Heavy articles are sometimes sent with only paper covering insecurely tied with string: friction in transit detaches this cover, and damage and loss ensue. A covering of stout cloth or wax cloth, sewn at the edges, is recommended; but if the contents are liable to suffer from pressure, boxes of wood or tin should be used.

(3).—Every parcel should be accompanied by a separate paper headed with the address of the parcel and containing a *declaration of its contents and value* under the signature of the sender. Below the signature the address of the sender should be given.

For the parcels addressed to—

The United Kingdom ..	}	Only one declaration as above described is required.
Germany ..		
Denmark ..		
Sweden ..	}	A second or duplicate declaration is also required.
Norway ..		
Switzerland..		

France ..	{	A second or duplicate declaration is also required, and the sender is requested to enter in the declaration a statement of the weight (lbs. and ozs. or tolas) of the contents, and to write the second or duplicate declaration, if possible, <i>in the French language</i> . Should he be unable to do so, the Bombay Post Office will attach to the second or duplicate English declaration a French rendering thereof, but the sender is warned of the delay which may result from this.
The Netherlands (Holland)		
Belgium ..		

It is not deemed necessary to require exact adherence to any particular form of declaration, but the following specimen form may be useful to the senders of parcels :—

Specimen form of declaration.

Address of Parcel.				
THOMAS B. SMITH,				
114, Piccadilly,				
LONDON.				
CONTENTS—				
1	Piece Puttoo Cloth	...	...	Value.
				£. s. d.
1	Rampore Chudder	...	...	2 0 0
				2 10 0
Total				4 10 0
I declare the above to be a true statement of the contents and value.				
(Sd.) A. R. ROBINSON,				
Amrilsar.				
N. B.—Declarations for parcels intended for France, the Netherlands or Belgium, should in addition to the above, contain a statement of the weight (lbs. and ozs. or tolas) of the contents.				

(4).—The parcel so addressed and the separate paper or papers above referred to, should then be enclosed in a *substantial outer cover*. This outer cover should be superscribed and addressed as follows :—

Overland Parcel Post.	
To	The Post Master, Bombay.

(5).—The parcel so made up must be *fully prepaid by means of postage stamps at the rate of 8 annas* per lb. (40 tolas) or fraction of a lb., care being taken that the stamps adhere firmly to the cover.

(6).—The parcel so made up must not exceed 50 lbs (25 seers) in weight, or 2 feet in length by 1 foot in breadth or depth. It will be received at any Post Office at the hours fixed for the receipt of ordinary banghy parcels, the usual receipt being given to the sender without reference to the mode of packing prescribed in the case of inland parcels for which receipts are claimed.

(7).—On arrival at Bombay the Post Master will take off the outer covering, and forward the inside parcel and the accompanying declaration or declarations to the country of inside address.

(8).—It is forbidden to send in these parcels opium or any liquid or any substance or material of a dangerous, damaging, or offensive kind.

(9).—In the case of parcels for or from Germany and the foreign countries served through Germany, compensation will be given by the responsible Post Office to the sender for loss or damage sustained in transit (cases of *sea risk* or of *vis major* or of the *own negligence of the sender* in respect of packing or otherwise excepted). Such compensation will in no case exceed 1½ rupee for each lb. weight or fraction thereof in respect of parcels forwarded from India, and 3 marks for each 500 grammes or fraction thereof in respect of parcels from Germany. Should the sender desire it, the compensation will be paid to the addressee instead of to himself.

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